



MINUTES

**North Carolina Aeronautics Council
December 16, 2009
2:30 P.M.
Dare County Regional Airport
Manteo, NC**

The December 16th, 2009 Aeronautics Council meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by Chairman Carter Keller at the Dare County Regional Airport in Manteo, NC.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Carter Keller, Chairman
Melvin Daniels, Jr.
Jim Heavner
Cress Horne
M. W. Mullinix, Sr.
Joe Randall, Vice Chairman
Bill Reese
Doreen Richter
Larry Wagner

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

David Barker
Brian Campbell
Henry Isaacson
Jim Shaw
Jay Wyatt

AVIATION STAFF PRESENT

Richard Walls, Director of Aviation
Rick Barkes
Shirley Pearce-Rowley
Nancy Seigler
Dave Thomas
Bobby Walston
Phil Lanier

GUESTS

Robert Benson, Manager, Dare County Regional Airport
Chairman Lynn Keziah, Charlotte-Executive Airport Authority
Elizabeth Roscoe, Richfield
Don Adams

The December 16th meeting was called to order by Chairman Keller. He welcomed and thanked all for attending the meeting. He thanked Dare County Airport Manager Mr. Benson for hosting the meeting.

(Handout #1)

Copies of Executive Order Number 34 and 35 were handed out. Chairman Keller urged all members to read both orders.

Executive Order #34 - Ethics and Attendance Standards for Gubernatorial Appointees to Boards.

Executive Order #35 - Ethics Standards for Certain Boards.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Keller asked for a motion for approval of the November 17th meeting minutes. A motion was made by Council member Jim Heavner and motion was seconded by Council member Joe Randall. The November minutes were unanimously approved by the Council.

Business

- **Funding (Handout #2)**

Rick Barks explained the funding recommendation for Stanly County for "Entrance Road Construction to the New Terminal Area" in the amount of \$600,000. The County will participate in this project on a 50/50 cost share ratio (usually 90/10). The airport is a joint use facility with the NC Air National Guard. The new terminal will be opening in the Spring.

After a short discussion, Chairman Keller asked for a motion. A motion for approval was made by Council Jim Heavner, motion was seconded by Council member Cress Horne. The recommendation for the Stanly County project was unanimously approved by the Council.

- **Dare County**

Dare County update was given by Robert Benson, Manager of the Dare County Regional Airport. He expressed his concerns and needs for the airport. The airports most pressing need is the continuation of the multiyear funding associated with the reimbursement for the land acquisition and obstruction clearing in the approach to the primary runway approximately 2.5 million dollars. The future pressing needs of the airport are additional land and obstruction removal in all of the runway approaches and major maintenance of primary airfield payment areas.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Director Walls reported on the Space Forum meeting he attended in November in Elizabeth City at the University. He gave a short power point presentation on Space Ports and North Carolina's potential role.
- The finalization of the 2010 Aeronautical Chart was discussed and a draft of the cover was presented to the council members.
- Director Walls called upon Dave Thomas to give a short briefing on the NC ACE Camp Program. Dave has worked with this program for two years now. The program has been very successful and has sparked interest throughout the state and is expected to be even greater this coming year. Aeronautics Council member Jim Shaw is very much interested in having an Ace Camp scheduled for his Winston-Salem district. Dr. Sharp in Elizabeth City is very much interested also in getting a camp scheduled for his area this coming year. The program offers day long camps for the middle school students and week long/over night camps for the high school students. The Ace Camps program is a great way to introduce young students to the aviation world and get them interested in aviation. Don Adams was presented with an award for helping Dave with the Ace Camps this summer.
- The second Stimulus Bill was discussed. A list of projects will be put together along with a report to be sent to our delegation in DC. Director Walls will work on putting the report together and will keep the Council informed.

The First Flight Society Events / 106th Annual Wright Brothers Celebration Events were discussed and agenda of scheduled events were handed out.

Next meeting reminder - Winston-Salem on February 16th, starting at 10:30 am, at the Smith Reynolds Airport.

Adjournment of the December 16th, 2009 Council meeting was 3:10 p.m.

Carter Keller, Chairman

Date

Doreen Richter, Secretary

Date